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Sir:

Applicant hereby voluntarily discloses the reference listed on the attached Form PTO-1449 to the Assistant Commissioner for Patents. All the references were cited in a prior application relied upon by the above-identified application for an earlier filing date. The prior application relied upon is Application Serial No. 10/425,846, filed on April 29, 2003, now U.S. Patent No. 6,715,639, issued April 6, 2004. It is specified in 37 CFR 1.98(d) that a "copy of any patent, publication or other information listed in an information disclosure statement is not required to be provided if it was previously cited by or submitted to the Office in a prior application, provided the prior application is properly identified in the statement and relied upon for an earlier filing date under 35 USC 120." Therefore please review the parent case for the references.

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